



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt Resolution Supporting Project Agreement for Office of Traffic Safety Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Program Grant

MEETING DATE: August 7, 2002

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a resolution supporting the above project and authorizing the City Manager to execute the Project Agreement, PS0310, for the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Program Grant.

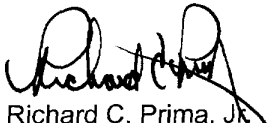
BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Recently, the Public Works Department was notified that OTS had accepted our funding request for a traffic safety program. This project is an extension of a previous grant. The grant program will begin in October 2002 and end in December 2004.


The program will be a joint effort between the Public Works and Police departments. The departments will create an interactive traffic safety program to educate school-age children on pedestrian and bicycle issues. The program will be designed to target kindergarten through eighth grade students and include parent/student walk-to-school days, suggested routes-to-school maps, bicycle and pedestrian safety material, and free bicycle helmets. Bicycle rodeos will be used to create a fun environment to test and educate the students on their bicycle safety skills. We expect this program to instruct 5,000 students and will include a public relations campaign on bicycle and pedestrian safety.

One of the main reasons OTS recommended funding for this program is the City is listed as having a high number of bicycle and pedestrian collisions compared to similar size cities. Out of 91 similar size cities, the City of Lodi ranked fifth and had the highest number of bicycle and pedestrian collisions involving children under fifteen years old.

Our main objective is to reduce bicycle and pedestrian collisions by providing a practical program to educate young pedestrians and parents. In addition, we want to increase bicycle helmet compliance by providing free helmets and educating the students on proper use.

FUNDING: OTS funds in the amount of \$60,000.

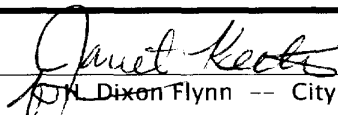

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APPROVED:


Janet Koots
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-169

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE
CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE PROJECT AGREEMENT NO. PS0310
FOR THE OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN
SAFETY PROGRAM GRANT

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WHEREAS, the Public Works Department recently received word that the City of Lodi's previous Office of Traffic Safety Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Program Grant has been extended, and will be in effect from October 2002 through December 2004; and

WHEREAS, the program will be a joint effort between the Public Works and Police Departments, and will create an interactive traffic safety program to educate school-age children on pedestrian and bicycle issues; and

WHEREAS, the program will be designed to target kindergarten through eighth grade students and include parent/student walk-to-school days, suggested routes-to-school maps, bicycle and pedestrian safety material, and free bicycle helmets. Bicycle rodeos will be used to create a fun environment to test and educate the students on their bicycle safety skills; and

WHEREAS, the program is expected to provide instruction to 5,000 students and will include a public relations campaign on bicycle and pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, one of the reasons that the Office of Traffic Safety has recommended the City of Lodi for this funding stems from the fact that the City of Lodi ranks fifth out of 91 similar size cities with having a high number of bicycle and pedestrian collisions involving children under fifteen years old; and

WHEREAS, for that reason, the Lodi City Council does hereby support the Traffic Safety Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Program Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council does hereby authorize the City Manager to execute Program Agreement No. PS0310 for the Office of Traffic Safety Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Program Grant which will provide funding in the amount of \$60,000.00.

Dated: August 7, 2002

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2002-169 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held August 7, 2002 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Howard, Land, Nakanishi, and Mayor Pennino

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



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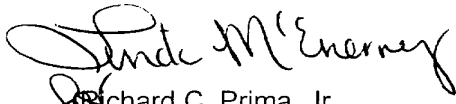
Enclosed is a copy of background information on an item on the City Council agenda of Wednesday, August 7, 2002. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

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If you wish to address the Council at the Council Meeting, be sure to fill out a speaker's card (available at the Carnegie Forum immediately prior to the start of the meeting) and give it to the City Clerk. If you have any questions about communicating with the Council, please contact Susan Blackston, City Clerk, at 333-6702.

If you have any questions about the item itself, please call Paula Fernandez, Senior Traffic Engineer, at 333-6800, ext. 2667.


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Enclosure

cc: City Clerk ✓

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